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OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

SOMETHING OF THE METROPOLITAN
COLONY OF ITALIANS.

How They Live Amid Scenes of Filth and
Misery—Bad Air, Bad Food and Bad
Smells—The Notorious Padrone System
and Its Effects.

(Special Correspondence.)

New York, Aug. 22.—Some astounding
facts concerning the treatment of Italian im-
migrants, recently brought to light by con-
gressional investigation, have served to di-
rect attention to a class of our population as
peculiar and distinct as are the Chinese
among us. One thing is specially noticeable
about the Italians. Whenever they live in
any considerable numbers there are few or
no other residents. Thus, "Mulberry Bend,"
which is the location of the largest group of
Italians in New York, was at one time oc-
cupied by the houses of wall to do Americans.
These were driven out, when the neighbor-
hood became very crowded by a mixed
population, mostly Irish. The Irish in turn
vacated as the Italians became numerous,
and now none but Italians live there.

"Mulberry Bend" is one block of a narrow,
crooked street, beginning at Worth street
and running northerly and westerly to
Bayard. The population of the colony is un-
known, one estimate of the board of health
fixing the number at 12,000, and another,
made by Inspector Williams, being 18,000.
The ground is made land, over an ancient
marsh; wherever, in digging foundations
for water and sewerage, the bones of the
dead are found at a depth of a very few feet.
The woodwork of the lower floors in the old
houses is decayed and covered with mold
and other fungus growths. Houses varying
from two to five stories in height all line
both sides of the street. Behind these houses
are two other rows, older and more dilapidated
than those fronting the street. The court-
yard between the rows are filthy and
outdoors, which, despite the vigilance
of the police and the board of health, are
largely used, contrary to law, for living
quarters. The tenement yard room left in
all, as well as the roofs, for the most part
ground, where are spread out to dry rags
gathered by the pickers, and apples, peaches,
and fish in enormous quantities. The odor
that comes from this place is so strong that
it is hardly possible to stand in it. Other
objects can be used, but all are inadequate.
In the entire block not more than four houses
are really fit, aside from prevailing stenches,
and the houses are so close together that
the board of health is almost constantly
at work raiding some of the houses and fairly
flooding them with disinfectants and anti-
septics.

The population averages about four men to
one woman. Among the women the ma-
jority are outcasts of Irish, German or other
nationality, but there are a considerable
number of Italian women, many of whom
are young, and are fair types. The Italian
peasants' beauty. They wear bright colored
clothing and showy gold jewelry, but
though many of them are gorgeous, after a
barbaric fashion, none of them look neat,
and none can possibly be cleanly.

Living in the Italian quarter is very simple.
In its lowest form it is the existence enjoyed
by the poor. These delinquent
individuals lack the energy requisite for be-
coming tramps, and sleeping only on barn
cocks or paving stones, gather refuse for
food, and their drink and their clothing.
Drinking their chief necessity, they gather
in old tomato cans, the stops and dregs of
beer kegs from which saloon keepers have
drawn all that is salable. There are some
five hundred of these in Mulberry Bend when
they are not on Flackwell Island.

There must needs be, however, people bet-
ter to do in order that these may live. The
Italians who earn a living pay their way.
They pay for a bed in the more decent places
five or ten cents a night, but they share it
with one, two or three companions. In one
room about six by eight feet in size Capt.
McLaughlin found one night three men sleep-
ing on the bed, three under the bed, two on a
large bench, two under the bench and one on
a chair. To supply the eleven with air there
was a small window looking on a narrow al-
ley. It was closed, but three panes were
broken. In another room of the same dimen-
sions were four men, three women and three
children.

The basements of nearly all the houses are
occupied by cheap restaurants and bake-
shops. The restaurants are all who shops, at
which is sold a so called "chianti." This
used to be a deception of bad wine, and
alcohol, but is now made by diluting the
cheapest Italian wine and adding fuchsia
and some alum or other astringent to give it
"bite." This is sold at ten cents a quart or
two cents a glass.

The articles served are on a par with the
wine. The coffee is made from the cheap-
est Brazilian beans and flavored with car-
away, to meet the demand of weak and
wonderful taste. If costs one or two cents a
cup, according to its strength and the tone of
the place. Stale bread, which sells at two
and three cents a loaf, is served, two large
loaves for a cent. Beef stew is the staple
dish at nearly all the restaurants. It is made
in a fairly decent way of the cheapest scraps
from the slaughter house, potatoes and
bread but in the poorest places it is often
composed of decayed meat, and the scraps
which the large restaurants and hotels for-
merly sent to the garbage barrel. The stuff
is sold for five cents a plate. It is not worth-
while to speak of the cleanliness of the
restaurants, but as their odor is so easy to
form a notion by reading that they are com-
monly festooned with strings of garlic,
strong onions and red peppers, hung from the
ceiling.

Other favorite dishes are imitation Bologna
sausages of the roughest sort, and macaroni,
made somewhere in the bowery of the poor-
est material, insipid in flavor, and often col-
ored with chrome yellow. This sells for five
cents a portion.

The average Italian workman has for his
breakfast, coffee, stale beer and two large
slices of bread, with sometimes a plate of
stew or macaroni. It will cost, say ten
cents. His dinner is more pretentious. He
will have a half bottle of wine with the
same dishes, and the meal will cost fifteen
cents. For a dessert he will buy one or two
cents' worth of fruit (often half de-
cayed) from the stands or the vagrants which
are always numerous around the neighbor-
hood.

Of the inhabitants of this quarter, about
two-thirds of the men are regularly em-
ployed, chiefly in street cleaning, excavation
or some similar labor. They earn from
seventy-five cents to a dollar and a half a
day, averaging, perhaps, a dollar and a
quarter. Of this they seldom spend more
than fifty cents, for they are a frugal race,
and there is hardly one among them who has
been here a considerable time who has not
saved a hundred dollars, or two or three hun-
dred. This, which they have learned by ex-
perience to distrust the Italian bankers, they
commonly carry on their person, concealed
in a belt or sewed into their clothing. Few
of them come to stay, and they heard their
savings with the hope of returning to Italy
with them.

The unemployed nearly all pick up some
kind of a living by rag picking, organ grind-
ing, etc.

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bread delivered promptly anywhere it is
desired.

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Administrators' Notice for
Final Settlement.
STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
MACON COUNTY.

In the matter of the Estate of David Flory, late
of said county, deceased.

Notice.
The undersigned hereby gives notice that he
will make application to the circuit court, at its
regular session, September 3, 1888, for a decree
to set aside the sale of the real estate of David
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NATIONAL REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For President,
BENJAMIN HARRISON, of Indiana.
For Vice President,
LEVI F. MORTON, of New York.

REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
JOSEPH W. PIERCE, of McLean County.
For Lieutenant Governor,
LYMAN B. RAY, of Grundy County.
For Secretary of State,
I. N. PRAISON, of McDonough County.
For State Treasurer,
CHARLES BURCHARD, of Clark County.
For Auditor General,
C. W. PAYNE, of Jefferson County.
For Attorney General,
GEORGE HUNT, of Edgar County.
For Trustees of State University,
ALEX. MCLEAN, F. M. MCCLAY, O. A. HARRIS, and S. A. DUGLASS.
For County Clerk,
ONATHAN H. HARRIS, of McLean County.
For County Clerk,
WILLIAM O. JONES, of Logan County.

Nominations.

Yesterday was a great convention day. Besides the Missouri Democratic convention, which is fully reported in our news columns, the Wisconsin Republicans met at Milwaukee and nominated W. D. Hoard, of Port Atkinson, for governor, with a full state ticket. Mr. Hoard, like our own F. R., was a private soldier, and he is a practical farmer.

The Iowa Republicans held their convention at Des Moines and nominated Frank D. Jackson for secretary of state with a full ticket.

Mr. GENRAL MANAGER SMITH, who makes a pretty good thing out of the prohibition camp meeting business, is very much put out because this paper did not publish the whole of the statement in which he doubted the salubrity of beer. If it will make him feel any easier we will give publicity to one of his speeches which we had out of, supposing it to be immaterial to the issue. "Being a lawyer by profession, and having had twelve years' journalistic experience, I can tell the truth without the assistance of a notary public." The public will doubtless be glad to learn that the general manager is "a lawyer by profession," but the people who train with him did not need to be informed that he can tell the truth; his class will believe anything he says, having been trained by him and his helpers to the belief that all men are liars who do not worship St. John. One of the singular features of the prohibition party is the fact that to be in full sympathy with the movement you must assume that the prohibitionist is a holier man than other people, and that you must believe everything he says, while you must be ready to cry "you're a liar" whenever anybody says anything to the contrary. In the opinion of the average prohibitionist the world would speedily go to the devil if they were not here to prevent it.

FREDERICK GREEN, a prominent Democrat of Jasper county, living at South Muddy, is one of those who have become Republicans on the tariff issue. "I'm joining the Republican club," he said. "I know what free trade means for fourteen years prior to the passage of the tariff law by the Republican party. I earned what all day long for 37 cents a day and did not get money, but got a bushel of wheat, which I hauled twenty miles to trade for goods. I paid one dollar a yard for years to cover my wants. I don't want any more good old Democratic times." A few of the former Democrats of that county who have been registered members of the Republican clubs are George and Allen Becker, Thos. Brooks, McCallum, F. G. T. Filtholt, A. Flor, A. D. Hubbard, William Hendrick, Alexander Malcomb, Stephen Hatt, Thomas Tuttle and sons, T. J. Chapman, James Thompson and Henry Campbell.

DEMOCRATIC statements tell us that the tariff on wheat of twenty cents a bushel only benefits a few farmers living near the Canada line. The truth is that the tariff is a protection to every wheat grower living in the Mississippi valley. Hon. Thomas W. Dudley, formerly United States consul at Liverpool, said in address at Chicago, November 11, 1887:

"India wheat can be had now in London at 70 cents a bushel, and in New York at 75 cents, without duty. With the duty added the wheat is put down in New York at 95 cents per bushel, and which the increased railway facilities which are now being introduced in India before five years the India farmer will be able to place his wheat in the New York market at a very much lower rate, probably as low as 60 cents per bushel without duty, and, unless the present duty on wheat of 20 cents per bushel is taken without board, the Indian farmer is competing with our farmers, and is no fancy sketch, but a sober fact which I fear our farmers will have to meet face to face too soon. The India wheat is rich and fertile as our own. How is it possible for our farmers to compete with the Indian farmer in raising wheat when the latter can hire all the labor he requires at from 5 to 8 cents a day without board, the laborer feeding himself out of these wages? All the labor-saving machines we have and use do not and cannot make up for this difference in the price of labor. In India you can hire 150 men for a day on the interest alone of the money you pay for your reaper here."

The increasing competition of India wheat makes the outlook important to the farmers. The final figures of the department of India for the crop year of 1887-8 are just made public. It closes March 31. The area under wheat last year was 27,034,954 acres, which yielded 354,582,000 bushels, to 27,736,000 acres in 1886-7 and 235,125,000 bushels, showing an increase in both acreage and yield. The Indian yield has gone as high as 300,000,000 bushels in one year, and the exports aggregated 41,508,000 bushels in one season. During the last crop year, however, there were only 25,920,000 bushels reported. The shipments from April 1 to July 8 this year reached 16,000,000 bushels.

Cheltenham Beach.
On the occasion of the Democratic rally at Cheltenham Beach, near Chicago, on Saturday, August 25, the Wabash was the scene of a very successful day. Tickets on one day for the round trip. Tickets on one day for the round trip. Tickets on one day for the round trip.

THURMAN'S THEME.

The Old Roman Champions the Democracy at Port Huron, Michigan.

Missouri State Democracy—David A. Francis, Mayor of St. Louis, for Governor.

Meeting of the Wisconsin Republican State Convention at Milwaukee—Harrison at Middle Base.

Port Huron, Mich., Aug. 23.—The run of the Thurman party from Oakland here was marked by nothing of greater public interest than salutations from the shore, the vice-presidential candidate responding with a wave of his hat. Congressman Wright pointed out his salt works, his dry goods store and his other earthly interests for the edification of the vice-presidential possibility. Just after the start the yacht Roberts fired a salute that was almost lost in the deafening cheers attending it.

As Port Huron was reached the signs of a great demonstration appeared. Crowds were waving handkerchiefs and cheering lustily, residents were replete in bunting and flags; boats in every direction turned loose their whistles, and Port Huron and Pansamoniun seemed one.

As the landing the reception was an ovation to make any aspiring statesman proud. The crowd was a great mass of humanity. Old and young were there, yelling for all they were worth. The local Democratic clubs were there in white, blue and with canes, flags and whistles; the blare of bands, the big procession and the tastefully decorated buildings, the scene was inspiring. The crowd proceeded at a leisurely pace, where the speeches were made. There was an opportunity was afforded to show Judge Thurman something about lumbering in Michigan. Twenty-four hours ago Port Huron was a mass of falling timber. Tuesday there was a big logging bee, and yesterday the handsome grove was clear enough for a royal picnic.

As the crowd filed in, a mighty yell rose into repeated cheers as the speaker appeared upon the stand and bowed acknowledgment. He was surrounded by the distinguished guests who had accompanied him, and numerous other gray-haired men, among them Orlando F. Barnes and Ex-Governor Beagle.

There was a lively breeze stirring the grove, and to protect his head Judge Thurman was provided with a 1X skull cap. Ex-Mayor O'Neill, of Port Huron, introduced the Judge in a brief address, and then Mr. Thurman began his speech. In it he discussed exhaustively the question of tariff with its collateral questions of labor, wages, farming and commercial interests, and the disposition of the surplus.

Mr. Thurman seemed to be a very great privilege to speak in Michigan, because of the character of the people to whom he would talk. He would discuss the tariff question. He would defy any man who had regard for the truth to say that Grover Cleveland had not made a good President, and here followed a glowing tribute to the Chief Executive. Speaking from personal knowledge and careful observation, he also paid a compliment to Don D. Dickson, among a band of good constitutional advisers. He defined the tariff as a tax levied by the general government upon every article of commerce coming into the country, and he said that the tariff and fifteen millions of surplus revenue levied for the purpose of the tariff, and taken from the pockets of the people, where it properly belongs, and whose propriety it would secure. The Democratic party took exceptions to this, and insisted that taxes should be reduced so that the surplus should not increase. The Republicans took the converse of the proposition. The Democrats would take no more money from the pockets of the people than is actually necessary to meet the legitimate expenses of the Government.

Mr. Thurman was very plain and direct, but he pushed it aside with the remark that "the sun never hurts a Democrat," causing great laughter.

Continuing, Mr. Thurman said the prohibitionists were peculiarly aggressive this year, and widely at variance with the truth of facts and reason. They proposed to make the country wealthy by taxing the poor. They had the audacity to say that the consumer did not pay the tax. In overthrowing this proposition the Judge pursued the same line of argument as in his Toledo speech.

A note was here sent up that some lady had had her pocket picked, and the Judge brought in a laugh by attributing the theft to some high tariff member.

The speaker showed that through the high tariff system the burden of taxation had been placed upon the shoulders of the poor, and that the amount received from the running expenses of the Government.

He then the Judge blew a trumpet blast on his historic bandana, and every body laughed as they cheered.

"Gentlemen, that's a good, honest handkerchief, but I had it not for long protection. I could have bought it cheaper."

Judge Thurman adroitly distinguished authorities against high tariff. Among them were John Quincy Adams and President Arthur. The cry of free trade against the Mills bill was unwarranted. It aimed only at a reasonable reduction of the tariff from forty-seven to forty per cent.

President Garfield was also quoted as a revenue reformer. The question of the laboring man's interests was taken up. The high protectionists posed as his champions, and claimed that they were fighting for his prosperity. "In the name of common sense, could this be, when every article he wears from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet is taxed?"

The speaker agreed that an employer might pay higher wages because of protection, but did he? (Cries of "No.") Did you ever know him to do it? (Cries of "Never.") "No gentleman, it never happened, and it never will."

For twenty-seven years the country has struggled under a protective tariff. Every man, woman and child, whether rich or poor, has been taxed. There are no labor organizations for the protection of their rights, yet the high tariff is to be a panacea for all of these things. If the tariff lowers prices, why do manufacturers want it? How does it protect them? Here the Judge referred to the negro. He was tired of four millions of them. He was glad of it. The negro is a profligate thief, and the race has increased over six millions. Some of them were in

cities, but a majority were in the country, and raising cotton and cane more than any other product. How was he protected in raising his cotton? He had to sell it at a Liverpool market. His wife and children had to be dressed. He had no protection for his crop, yet for every stitch of clothing bought for himself and family he paid the increased price named by a tariff. The boasted friend of the negro should consider this. Is it not enough that they make a slave of him by requiring him to vote the Republican ticket and swear to support a Democratic tariff which also put upon him the burden of unjust taxation?

The Judge then took up the matter of the laborer again. American laborers received more than foreign workers for several reasons, so it was certain that the more dense the population the lower the wages. Knights of Labor and union organizations had done more to establish reasonable wages in America than all the tariff. Laborers in this country have the benefit of our free institutions, and the independence of character which they beget. Again, that wage-workers in protected industries received no higher wages than those in unprotected industries, proves conclusively that it is not a question of protection through tariff laws.

An historical review of the tariff was taken, showing that under a tariff the value of farm lands from 1850 to 1880 increased 108 per cent; from 1880 to 1870, under high protective policy, the value of farm lands in the country increased 40 per cent, and from 1870 to 1880, under the tariff we even had, the increase was but 6 per cent. In Michigan, for the periods named the increase had been 111, 146 and 124 per cent, respectively. A stiller showing was made in regard to agricultural implements.

The Judge here announced that his voice was giving way, and that he must soon close. Before doing so, he read a letter from John Sherman made in the Chamber of Commerce in Cincinnati a month ago. He said that every man of common sense knew that the accumulation of surplus money in the treasury was wrong, and that Congress should devise some means of getting rid of it. "I agree with John," said Mr. Thurman. William Allen once said in his freeable way, when aroused: "I might as well try to run a powder-house in hell as to conduct an honest government with a surplus in the United States Treasury." That's strong, but it's true.

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THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

(First Session).

REMARKS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—A Senate bill approving \$25,000 for a public building in Easton, Mich., and the bill granting a pension of \$3,500 a year to the widow of General Sheridan were reported and placed on the calendar.

Mr. TOWNSEND (Ill.) presented the conference report on the Army Appropriation bill, and after discussion the report was postponed until tomorrow.

Mr. HARRIS (Ala.) presented the conference report of the Navy Appropriation bill, which after some debate, was adopted.

The House then, in committee on the whole, took up the General Disposal bill. An amendment offered by Mr. Barnes (Mo.) appropriating \$5,487 to meet the deficiency for railway mail transportation, was adopted.

Another amendment appropriating \$30,000 to reimburse the State of Kentucky for expenses incurred in suppressing the rebellion, was also adopted.

Mr. HURDIS then raised a point of order on the first paragraph of the speech of Senator Sherman on the bill providing for the withdrawal of the Red Patch scandal.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 23.—The latest developments in the Red Patch scandal is a dispatch from Lawrenceburg, which disproves Red Patch's statement that he had spent Monday night in that town. Mr. Moore and his wife are both absent from that place, and no person could be found who had seen Red Patch for a long time. Attorney Bailey, of this city, on behalf of his clients, Pierce and Dugdale, and their cousin, Miss Howell, sought and obtained a conference with the professor this morning. Mr. Bailey says Red Patch partly admitted that he had been indiscreet. He claimed that his meeting with the young lady had been accidental, and that they renewed a friendship formed during the Methodist conference in New York in 1870.

The Indiana State Encampment of Militia. EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 23.—The grand State encampment was fairly gotten under way in this city yesterday. It had been delayed on account of inclement weather. Nearly all the Indiana Legion of Militia are here, and also several military organizations from neighboring States.

The exercises yesterday consisted of exhibition drills by the Emerald Cavalry of St. Louis, the Lincoln Zouaves of Nashville, and the Rockville Battery of Rockville, Ind. The drilling of the St. Louis organization was especially noticeable.

The programme terminated last night with a grand ball, in which about three thousand men. The feature of to-day's programme will be the parade of the "Klan of Komus" at night, in which there will be not less than twenty thousand men. The parade will start at Governor Gray will arrive on Friday to take part in the exercises.

Horse-Steal Arrested.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 23.—Charles Brown was arrested here yesterday morning by a detective from Youngstown, O., charged with stealing horses in Indiana and Ohio, and with carrying on a business of buying and disposing of them in Youngstown.

He was taken to the city for a month.

Excursion to Fair Round Trip. We are prepared on Low Shoes, men's, ladies', and children's, to make you want to make price that will please all closest buyers. Call early—next door.

July 27-28.

The Birmingham Shop will repair cheap wagons, and repair them in day when needed. Remains. March 1st at R. completely done. March 1st at R.

AMID THE MERMAIDS.

Another Awful Marine Disaster. This Time on the Pacific Ocean.

The Steamship City of Chester Cut in Two and Sunk by the Oceanic.

Twenty-One Steerage and Ten Cabin Passengers and Three Members of the Crew Drowned.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—An unknown steamer was sunk by the Oceanic at 10 o'clock this morning off Port Point, just inside the entrance to the harbor. It is almost certain that the steamer sunk is the City of Chester, which sailed for San Francisco this morning with a large number of passengers on board. The Oceanic had her boats out saving the passengers. The steamer San Rafael and tug have gone to the assistance. Several lives reported lost.

The Merchants' Exchange has received information that fifteen persons are drowned. The probabilities are that the loss of life will be considerably above that figure. The steamer City of Chester left her dock here shortly after nine o'clock this morning. She had seventy-one cabin passengers on board. The number of steerage passengers and crew are not known. There must have been more than a hundred people on the steamer. A thick fog prevailed in the bay this morning, and it is supposed the steamers were unable to see each other. The Oceanic was coming into harbor at the time of the collision.

It is now certain that the steamer sunk is the City of Chester, but no boats have been seen and the full extent of the disaster is not known. A large number of boats have gone to their assistance and every effort being made to save the passengers' lives. So far as known, the Oceanic is not seriously injured, but a powder-house is well to run a powder-house in hell as to conduct an honest government with a surplus in the United States Treasury.

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STORMS AND FLOODS.

The Storm at Pittsburgh and Allegheny City—Railways at a Standstill.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 22.—The damage from Tuesday's phenomenal storm has been very great and will now be accurately estimated. Reports of great suffering are being received. In Pittsburgh and Allegheny a large number of cellars are flooded, houses wrecked, streets rendered impassable and from mills shut down. So far no loss of life is reported. The marks at noon showed the water to be still rising. The rain ceased at midnight, but the water continued to rise. The main line steam road, and the Pennsylvania railroad is impassable between Pittsburgh and Greensburg. No trains have arrived or started over the main line since last evening.

At half-past seven o'clock the convention reassembled, and the chairman announced the various committees. Delegates by this time had recovered from the chairman was totally incompetent, and proceeded to give him unmercifully, and a deadlock ensued.

West Virginia Republicans in Convention. CHARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 23.—The Republican State convention met in this city yesterday and nominated the following candidates for State offices: For Governor, General N. Goff of Harrison County, now representing the first district in Congress; W. H. Edwards of Ohio County, for Attorney-General; G. M. Bowers, of Berkeley County, for Auditor; and H. T. Lewis, of Clay County, for Treasurer.

RACE BALL.

Games Played Wednesday, August 22.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. Pittsburgh—First game Chicago, 6; Pittsburgh, 3. Second game: Pittsburgh, 10; Chicago, 8.

Philadelphia—Boston, 9; Philadelphia, 3.

Indianapolis—Detroit, 4; Indianapolis, 2.

Washington—New York, 7; Washington, 0.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. St. Louis—Brown, 4; Brooklyn, 2.

Cincinnati—Cleveland, 3; Cincinnati, 0.

Kansas City—Kansas City, 5; Baltimore, 4.

WESTERN ASSOCIATION. St. Paul—Des Moines, 7; St. Paul, 1.

Games To-Day.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. New York at Philadelphia, Boston at Washington, Indianapolis at Pittsburgh, Chicago at Detroit.

The Umpire and the Kicker.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 23.—In the last half of the last inning of the game between Kansas City and Baltimore, with a score of 6 to 4 in favor of Kansas City, with the bases full and two men out, Greenwood came to the bat and was hit on the knee by a pitched ball, and started for first. This incident was the beginning of the game one of the Baltimore had been fined \$50 for back talk. At the end of the game Manager Barrie said to the umpire:

"You would not let me have a game if we won it fair, would you?"

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Officers, with drawn revolvers, walked in and captured the men. The police refuse to give any information until the parties are released, and other points are arrested. Considerable material, including a peroxide and some of the money, was captured. Some of the money was of pure gold, and when tested at the mint was pronounced to be good.

POLITICAL.

Missouri Democracy—D. R. Francis for Governor.

JAYNESVILLE, Mo., Aug. 22.—At the session of the Democratic State Convention held in this city yesterday, D. R. Francis, mayor of St. Louis, was unanimously nominated for Governor.

State Senator Steve Olney combined was named for Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. John M. Glover, who had made a study and obstinate fight for Governor, D. R. Francis, was seen the inevitable, gracefully withdrew from the contest in a speech which made him many friends in the convention.

The new State central committee was chosen as follows: First district—J. H. Carroll. Second district—J. H. Pink. Third district—J. B. Thomas. Fourth district—W. W. Ramsey. Fifth district—Richard Phillips. Sixth district—John D. Tolson. Seventh district—Richard Dalton. Eighth district—E. A. Noonan. Ninth district—C. C. Moffitt. Tenth district—J. B. Brown. Eleventh district—Ed. Silver. Twelfth district—W. H. Phelps. Thirteenth district—Edward O'Day. Fourteenth district—David Allen.

It was understood that the following gentlemen will compose the list of district presidential electors: First district—Ed. R. McKee, Memphis. Second district—John P. Butler, Milan. Third district—Captain James L. Farria, Richmond. Fourth district—J. W. Stokes, Craig, Holt County. Fifth district—W. F. Steel, Holden. Sixth district—F. D. Smith, Marshall. Seventh district—C. Pittman Smith, Montgomery City. Eighth district—C. F. Killebrew, St. Louis. Ninth district—Harry G. Keever, St. Louis. Tenth district—Sam Byrnes, Potosi. Eleventh district—John A. Hookaday, Fulton. Twelfth district—John H. Lucas, Osceola. Thirteenth district—H. C. Popper, McDonald County. Fourteenth district—T. R. R. Elley, Kennett.

General Harrison Arrives at Middle Base Island.

PUT-IN BAY, O., Aug. 23.—The steam yacht Sigma, of Toledo, owned by S. C. Reynolds, arrived here at 2 p. m. yesterday with General Harrison and party on board. On his arrival he was met by a heavy sea, the yacht did not stop at Middle Base, but came direct here and came to anchor. The afternoon was passed quietly by the General on board the yacht.

About 5 p. m. the wind shifted, and the yacht went to Middle Base and landed the distinguished party. The General stood the trip bravely, though somewhat fatigued after his trip to Toledo. General Harrison remained on board to talk politics, and has settled down in the Berden cottage, where he will remain for two weeks the guest of the Middle Base Club.

Dakota Congressional Convention. WAXBURG, Dak., Aug. 23.—The latest Congressional convention over assembled in the United States met at Assembly Hall yesterday. General Harrison Allen called the convention to order.

At half-past seven o'clock the convention reassembled, and the chairman announced the various committees. Delegates by this time had recovered from the chairman was totally incompetent, and proceeded to give him unmercifully, and a deadlock ensued.

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Games Played Wednesday, August 22.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. Pittsburgh—First game Chicago, 6; Pittsburgh, 3. Second game: Pittsburgh, 10; Chicago, 8.

Philadelphia—Boston, 9; Philadelphia, 3.

Indianapolis—Detroit, 4; Indianapolis, 2.

Washington—New York, 7; Washington, 0.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. St. Louis—Brown, 4; Brooklyn, 2.

Cincinnati—Cleveland, 3; Cincinnati, 0.

Kansas City—Kansas City, 5; Baltimore, 4.

WESTERN ASSOCIATION. St. Paul—Des Moines, 7; St. Paul, 1.

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